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SUBJECT: ANTI-COMMUNIST AMENDMENT TO PENAL CODE

1. FOLLOWING AMENDMENT ADDED TO ARTICLE 200 OF PENAL LAW  
EFFECTIVE AUGUST 22, 1974 (IRAQI OFFICIAL GAZETTE ISSUE  
NO. 2390): QUOTE DEATH SENTENCE SHALL BE IMPOSED ON:  
(A) ANY MEMBER OF ARAB BAATH SOCIALIST PARTY WHO INTENTION-  
ALLY CONCEALS HIS FORMER POLITICAL AND PARTY AFFILIATIONS  
AND CONNECTIONS; (B) ANY PERSON WHO JOINED OR WHO WILL  
JOIN THE ARAB BAATH SOCIALIST PARTY IF IT IS CONFIRMED THAT  
HE IS CONNECTED WITH ANY OTHER PARTY OR POLITICAL  
AUTHORITY OR WORK FOR IT AND FOR ITS INTERESTS. END QUOTE.

2. COMMENT: AMENDMENT IS BELIEVED DIRECTED AT IRAQI  
COMMUNIST PARTY AND IS BEST EVIDENCE TO DATE THAT ICP HAS  
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HAD SOME SUCCESS IN ITS EFFORTS TO INFILTRATE BAATH PARTY

THROUGH ONE YEAR OLD PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL FRONT.  
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